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## Office Action Summary

Application No.

10/800,218

Applicant(s)

BEREZOWSKI ET AL.

Examiner

Quoc D. Tran

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 March 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 10-13, 16, 17, 19 and 29-38 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 10-13, 16, 17, 19 and 33-37 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 29-32 and 38 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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**DETAILED ACTION**

***Response to Amendment***

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claim 29 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Barber (6,295,001).

Consider claim 29, Barber teaches a system comprising: a plurality of multi-zone paging systems, each paging system including circuitry for selecting at least one of a plurality of zones, each zone including a plurality of at least audio output devices (Fig. 3; col. 3 lines 8-23), each paging system also including an interface to a computer network for bidirectional communications of at least audio messages with a displaced, common, source (col. 4 lines 35-41).

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 30-32 and 38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barber (6,295,001) in view of Troen-Krasnow et al (6,442,250).

Consider claim 30, Barber did not suggest the system, which includes software for presenting a paging system and zone selection screen. However, Troen-Krasnow suggested such (col. 4 lines 8-25). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Troen-Krasnow et al into view of Barber in order to provide user with a more user friendly interface for placing the broadcast message.

Consider claim 31, as discussed above, Barber teaches the system includes software that transmits paging system and zone specifics, as selected on the screen to at least one of the paging systems via the computer network for presentation of selected audio messages in the selected zone (col. 2 lines 40-50).

Consider claim 32, Troen-Krasnow et al teach a system, which includes software for providing a graphical display of paging system status feedback information (col. 9 lines 52-57).

Consider claim 38, Barber does not clearly suggest wherein the audio messages comprising verbal messages. However, Troen-Krasnow suggested such (col. 4 lines 8-25). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to incorporate the teaching of Troen-Krasnow et al into view of Barber by replacing the audible alert with a verbal alert in order to provide user with a more pleasing sound.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

5. Claims 10-13, 16-17, 19, 33-37 are allowed.

***Response to Arguments***

6. Applicant's arguments filed 3/30/2006 with respect to claim 29 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Regarding applicant arguments on pages 6-8 that Barber does not disclosed of transmitting audible messages or disclosed of bidirectional communications. Accordingly, the examiner respectfully disagrees with applicant arguments. Claim 29 recites “ an audio message”. It is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., voice) are not recited in the rejected claim(s). Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993). Regarding applicant limitation of bidirectional communications. Bidirectional communications is a two-way communications. Barber clearly disclosed that the system is provides for two-way communications. Therefore, Barber clearly read on the limitations as claimed.

***Important Notice***

7. The Group and/or Art Unit location of your application in the PTO has changed. To aid in correlating any papers for this application, all further correspondence regarding this application should be directed to ***Group Art Unit 2614***.

***Conclusion***

8. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO

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MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Curtis Kuntz**, can be reached on **(571) 272-7499**.

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